

# Criteria Pollutants — Nonattainment Areas

<http://www.epa.gov/oar/aqtrnd99/chapter4.pdf>

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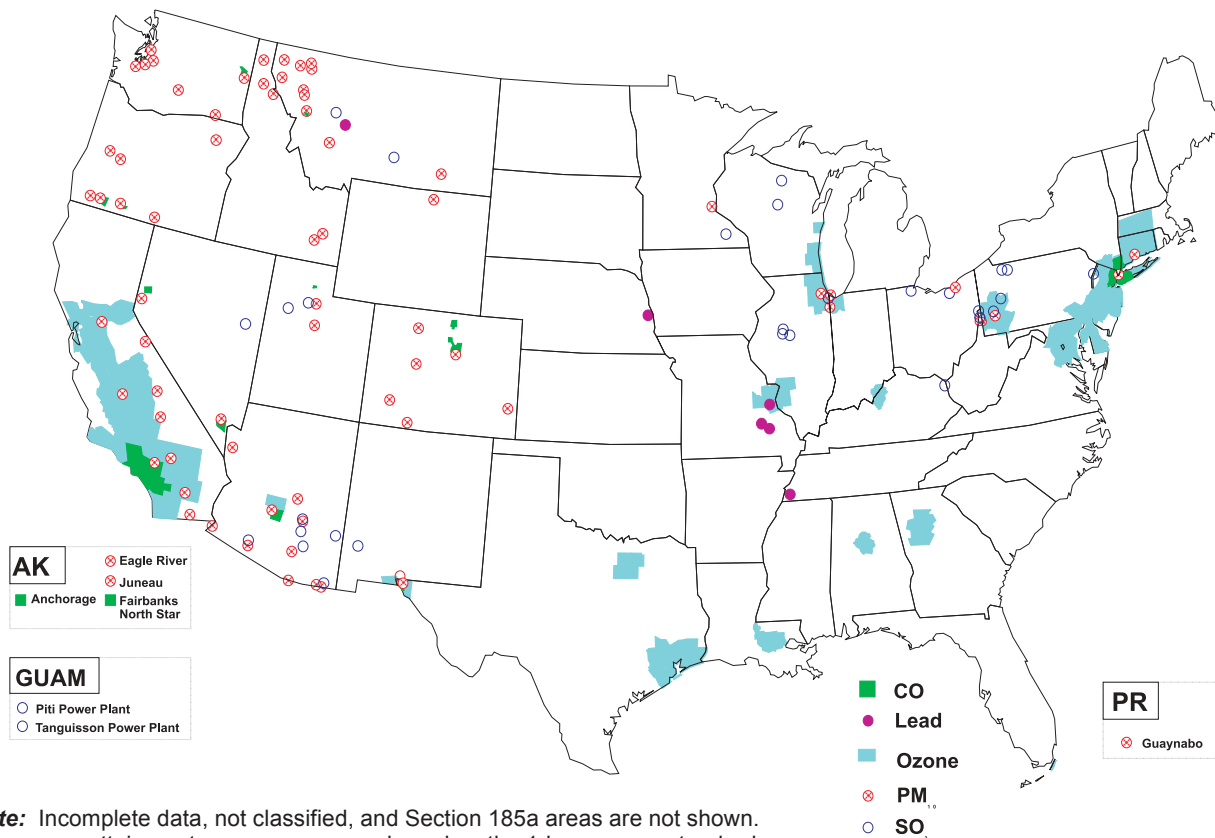
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This chapter provides general information on geographical regions known as nonattainment areas. When an area does not meet the air

quality standard for one of the criteria pollutants the area may be subject to the formal rule-making process which designates the area as non-

attainment. The 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments (CAAA) further classify ozone, carbon monoxide, and some particulate matter nonattainment areas based on the magnitude of an area's problem. Nonattainment classifications may be used to specify what air pollution reduction mea-

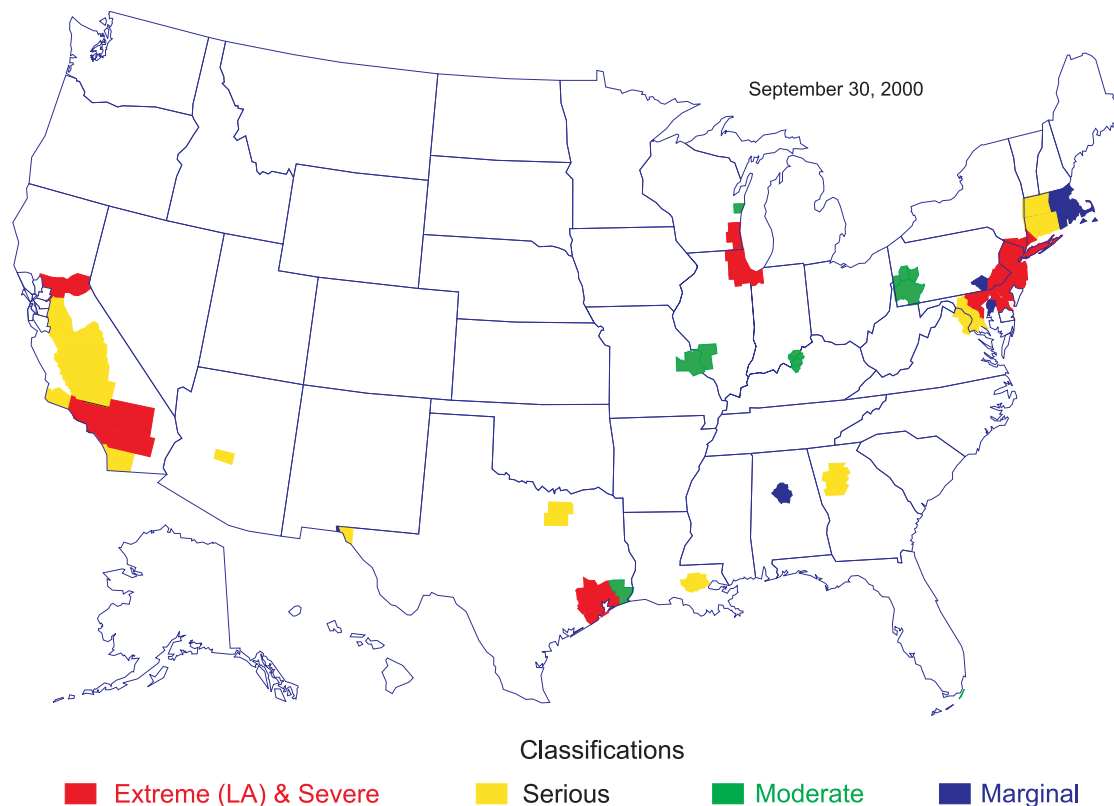
**Figure 4-1.** Location of nonattainment areas for criteria pollutants, September 2000.



**Note:** Incomplete data, not classified, and Section 185a areas are not shown.

\*Ozone nonattainment areas on map are based on the 1-hour ozone standard.

\*\*PM<sub>10</sub> nonattainment areas on map are based on the existing PM<sub>10</sub> standards.

**Figure 4-2.** Classified ozone nonattainment areas.

**Note:** San Francisco is classified Other / Sec 185a and nonattainment areas with incomplete data are not included.

sure an area must adopt and when the area must reach attainment. The technical details underlying these classifications are discussed in the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Part 81 (40 CFR 81), see <http://www.epa.gov/epacfr40>.

Figure 4-1 shows the location of the nonattainment areas for each criteria pollutant as of September 2000. Figure 4-2 identifies the classified ozone nonattainment areas by degree of severity. A summary of nonattainment areas can be found in Table A-19 in Appendix A. An area is on the condensed list if the area is designated nonattainment for one or more of the criteria pollutants. Note that Section 185a areas (formerly known as “transitional areas”) and

incomplete areas are excluded from the counts in Table A-19. Another source of information for areas designated as nonattainment, including Section 185a and incomplete areas, is the *Green Book*. The current *Green Book* is located at <http://www.epa.gov/oar/oaqps/greenbk>.

As of September 2000, there were a total of 114 nonattainment areas on the condensed nonattainment list. The areas on the condensed list are displayed alphabetically by state. There were, as of September 2000, approximately 101 million people living in areas designated as nonattainment for at least one of the criteria pollutants. Areas redesignated between September 1999 and September 2000 are listed in Table

4-1, by pollutant. All redesignations were to attainment.

**Table 4-1.** Areas Redesignated Between September 1999 and September 2000

<b>SO<sub>2</sub></b>	Coshocton Co., OH; Gallia Co., OH; and Lorain Co., OH
<b>PM<sub>10</sub></b>	Canon City, CO
<b>CO</b>	Colorado Springs, CO; Longmont, CO; and Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
<b>Pb</b>	Collin Co., TX and Marion Co. (Indianapolis), IN
<b>O<sub>3</sub></b>	Cincinnati-Hamilton, OH-KY

